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DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.608(a)

Sir:

U.S. Patent 5,672,786 for "Production of Difluoromethane" issued on September 30, 1997 on an application filed on September 6, 1995. The subject Application has an effective filing date of September 20, 1995 which is less than three (3) months after the filing date of U.S. Patent 5,672,786.

The undersigned hereby declares on behalf of Applicants that there is a basis upon which Applicants are entitled to a judgment of priority relative to U.S. Patent 5,672,786.

I declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

Respectfully submitted,

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